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Neighboring Notes

The annual receipts of the Broken Bow post office have reached the \$10,000 mark, and now they want free delivery and a federal building.

An exchange says that a Beatrice boy pursued a rabbit to the bottom of a sixty foot well and just as he reached the bottom the well caved in and it took many hours of hard digging to get him out. It is not reported whether or not he got the rabbit.

Judging from the following from the Norfolk Press, we would say that recent mail service on the Northwestern R. R. is worse than on the parallel line of the Burlington: "The Lincoln Journal of Sunday morning reached our exchange table Monday afternoon. The mail service is improving somewhat."

The Fremont papers tell of a waiter girl in one of the hotels of that burg who appeared in the doorway of the dining room at meal time clad in nothing but a nightgown, and one of the Norfolk papers insinuates that the publication of the news item was only a sly way the Fremont hotel had of advertising.

County Clerk Becomes District Census Director

Broken Bow Chief, Dec. 17:

At the opening session of the county board on Tuesday morning, Jos. Pigman tendered his resignation as county clerk to take effect at once. The resignation was accepted and W. H. Osborne, Jr., present deputy and also county clerk-elect, was appointed to fill out the unexpired term. While the resignation of Mr. Pigman comes as a surprise to the general public, yet it has been known to his immediate friends for some time that he contemplated this move. Mr. Pigman has recently been appointed census director of the sixth congressional district of Nebraska, and it was the urgent necessity of his devoting his entire time to his new duties that prompted him to break away from the county clerk's office during the last few weeks of his term. Mr. Pigman has been connected with this office, first as deputy and then as principal, for nearly eight years and is known as one of the most competent officials the county ever had. He has established an office on the second floor of the Baish Block, has

installed a stenographer, and will plunge into the census work of the Sixth district, which will require his entire time during the greater portion of the coming year.

A preacher, at the conclusion of one of his sermons, said: "Let all in the house who are paying their debts stand up." Instantly every man, woman, and child, with one exception, rose to their feet. The preacher seated them and said: "Now, every man not paying his debts stand up." The exception noted, a careworn, hungry-looking individual, clothed in his last summer's suit, slowly assumed a perpendicular position. "How is it, my friend," asked the minister, "that you are the only man not to meet his obligations?" "I run a newspaper," he meekly answered, "and the brethren here who stood up are my subscribers, and—" "Let us pray," exclaimed the preacher. —Alabama Baptist.

Hemingford Happenings.

Roy Kent went to Minatare last week.

Chas. Burleigh returned to Lakeside Monday.

Mr. Stanley went to Bridgeport Tuesday.

Mrs. Mabin was a passenger to Alliance Monday.

K. L. Pierce went to Alliance Thursday, returning Friday.

C. S. West has been under the weather for the last week.

Mrs. H. H. Pierce returned from her visit to Chadron Monday.

Ed. Stigle and wife left Thursday for a visit at Ashland, Nebr.

Nellie Colvin came up from Alliance Thursday, returning Monday.

Lizzie Johnson came Thursday to spend the holidays with her parents.

W. M. Spencer was a passenger to Alliance Friday, returning Saturday.

Rex Mosher came home from Gordon to spend the holidays with his father.

Mr. Smith, a son of L. Smith and wife, came Thursday from Logan county.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Rockey left for a visit to their old home in Pennsylvania last week.

E. A. Peckenpough left Monday for his old home in Seneca, Kans., to

spend the holidays, after which he will return to his work for the Central Lumber Co.

Ham Hall and Jake Osborn left Sunday for their old home in Virginia and Pennsylvania.

Miss Sweeney and Miss Roberts came up from Alliance Sunday, returning Monday.

Lewis Kuhn and wife came Thursday from Livingston, Mont., for a visit with his brother, Joe.

Mr. and Mrs. Wolfe Friemuth are the proud parents of a baby boy, born Tuesday, Dec. 14, '09.

Lena Wildy came Thursday from Illinois to spend the winter, coming for the benefit of her health.

E. Rasmussen left for a visit to Iowa. His family is there and they expect to return home with him.

Clark Old, Mr. West and Ben Johnson went to Omaha last week to attend the corn show and hardware convention.

Mr. Barge came Monday from Fairbury, Nebr., to see his brother, James, who has been seriously ill for the past week.

Mrs. Oldt and Mrs. Miller went to Alliance Sunday, where they will meet Mr. Oldt, who will accompany them to their home in Billings, Mont.

Notice

By order of the Board of County Commissioners, bids will be received at the office of the County Clerk for furnishing surety bonds for term of two years from January 1, 1910, for the following officers-elect of Box Butte county:

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